



ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

UPDATE - DIGITAL LEARNING PROVIDER APPLICATION PROCESS

2015-2016 DIGITAL LEARNING PROVIDER APPLICATION

PROVIDERS NOT YET APPROVED TO OFFER DIGITAL COURSES IN ARKANSAS

- The application will be posted online on Wednesday, October 15, 2014.
- **TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE** will be offered to potential applicants.
 - A technical assistance document will be published online when the application is posted.
 - A WEBINAR designed for providers planning to submit applications will be conducted Tuesday, October 21, 2014, at 1:00 p.m.

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY 4:00 p.m. on Friday, January 9, 2015.

Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

For additional information about the learning provider application process, contact Ernie Huff -

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2015-2016 COURSE APPROVAL PROCESS

FOR COURSES WITH CURRICULUM FRAMEWORKS ONLY

<http://www.arkansased.org/divisions/learning-services/curriculum-and-instruction/frameworks>

A PROVIDER CURRENTLY APPROVED TO OFFER DIGITAL COURSES IN ARKANSAS may submit a DIGITAL PROVIDER COURSE APPROVAL REQUEST FORM for each additional course that the provider would like to offer in 2015-2016.

NOTES:

- Each time that Arkansas standards are revised, new course approval requests must be submitted.
- At the December 2014 meeting of the State Board of Education, the Board will consider revising standards for fine arts and social courses. Approved revisions will be effective in the 2015-2016 school year.

For additional information about the course approval process, contact Thomas Coy -

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DIGITAL PROVIDER COURSE APPROVAL REQUEST FORM FOR APPROVED DIGITAL PROVIDERS ONLY

Course Approval Request for the 2015-2016 School Year

A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH COURSE IS REQUIRED

Contact Information

NAME OF DIGITAL PROVIDER: _____

Contact Person: _____ **Phone:** _____

Course Information

COURSES WITH CURRICULUM FRAMEWORKS ONLY

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Name of Course: _____ **Length of course:** _____
(one semester, two semesters, two years)

Amount of Credit: _____ **Area of Credit:** _____

Curriculum Framework to which course is connected: _____

Required Attachment

Submit an attachment showing the standards covered in the course and the alignment of these standards with standards in the corresponding Arkansas Curriculum Framework.

To be approved -

- A course for a subject that IS ASSESSED statewide must cover **100%** of the standards in the Arkansas Curriculum Framework; and
- A course for a subject that is not assessed statewide must cover **80%** of the standards in the Arkansas Curriculum Framework.

For expedited consideration of a course approval request, email this form and the required attachment so that they are received at thomas.coy@arkansas.gov by 4:00 p.m., Thursday, November 13, 2014. Requests for fine arts and social studies courses should be submitted at a later date to ensure alignment with standards that the State Board of Education may revise in December.

To be considered for the 2015-2016 school year, course providers must ensure that course approval requests, including requests for fine arts and social studies courses, are received at thomas.coy@arkansas.gov no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday, January 29, 2015.